

A strange scene occurred at a wedding before the Mayor of Frankfurt-on-the-Main the other day. The bridegroom, at the moment the all-important "yes" had been pronounced and made the couple man and wife, turned to the Mayor, and asked him loudly why steps were necessary to obtain a divorce. The bride and the bridemaids tittered, all the wedding party pressed close in amazed curiosity, while the man of law explained the necessary formalities. Excitement rose to its uttermost height when the newly married man deliberately made application in due form for a divorce.

"But your reason, sir?" asked the astonished Mayor, and the bridegroom replied, "I was commanded to marry, or else I should have lost 10,000 francs, so, having no other alternative, I have espoused the lady as I promised; but now I mean to divorce her again without the delay of one single hour."

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“I do wish something’d turn up for
 er! stop the racket, I declare! I wishes
 it had come, the “something,” but like
 most reckless demand-hurled at
 privilege, it had not come as wished for.”

“I couldn’t have expected no Yod-
 er!” answered that came, an effectual,
 emphatic answer, that had indeed
 stopped the racket! about the house.

When the boy had said that, the
 woman, a tall, thin, yellow, old, foxen,
 waiting with
 such provoking patience at the gate.

“Jest allude,” he muttered, “your
 and mine, but I’ll be bound to
 be a yoke, and I’ll pull ter mine,
 n’ it’s a toss up ter tell which pulls the
 most, Me, I reckon, seein’ as I might
 be a yoke, but I’ll be bound to
 not none; but I’ll kallerate yer ain’t much
 rusted fur that.”

He gathered the rope, called to his
 mother, and went out of sight.

The little girl, sitting upon the step, had
 heard the boy’s grumbling, and long after
 she found the cause, she sat there wondering
 how she could help to lighten the burden
 or him.

She had dropped corn for him in the
 spring, had carried him to the
 spring, and had faithfully fed him, and

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The Manufacture of Bogus Jewelry.
Precious stones are dyed at Oberstein, Germany, where nearly the whole population is devoted to the work of making bogus jewelry and fixing up cheap goods for look like. Different types have been made, and the use of treatments and some families have the secret of some one another special tint which can be dyed nowhere else. Chalcedony is the most common, but also agate, which are most counterfeited. The stones are boiled in the coloring matter and then subjected to intense heat. The color of the stones is changed. One family has the secret of converting corundum into "cat's-eyes." Gypsum and emeralds are also made into the same color. The most common stones, silicon and zirconia, have the color washed out, and are apparently diamond, but still tested. A thin slice of diamond is cut, and the color of the whole appears to be one gem. Emeralds are easily imitated. Many stones sold as rubies are only spinels, and some of the sapphires are only dyed chalcedony.

ally, a kind friend suggested that if Asaphus was rubbed on the afflicted side of the corn would succumb. The lady was anxious to try the remedy, and did just before retiring the other night, and forgot to tell her liege lord what she had done.

At dawn of midnight had struck when the husband suddenly awoke and was somewhat startled to see the flash of a lady at the foot of the bed. Sleep was flying in all directions, but he could not believe his senses. Again and again at frely flashed its baleful gleam, eventually banishing all thought of sleep and leaving the husband staring at the wily husband. He determined to end own misery and frely's existence simultaneously. He reached out in the darkness for his long sword, and when he perceived he felt his own heavy shoe. He seized the weapon, slowly and cautiously raised himself in bed, and, drawing down the coverlet, he dealt his wife a vigorous whack on the innocent

the work of the service. The necessary qualifications, as shown by the examination are, first, quickness of apprehension, and secondly, accuracy with the accompaniment of accuracy. The highest mathematical are required, plain arithmetic being all that is necessary. The other branches are algebra, grammar, geography, penmanship, and spelling. The language is United States English, but the logic is very thorough. Self-reliance is looked for, and a man is expected to be able to take charge of a station when he has had a little experience. His education is supposed to continue. He is expected to gain a twelfth of astronomy on which there is preliminary examination, and to be able to take the development of new theories and meteorological methods.

—*New York Sun.*

Fishermen at Roseburg, on the Sinaloa river, in Oregon, caught 10,000 salmon last night recently, and yet it is said that the fish are rapidly leaving Oregon.

The Shah of Persia will visit Europe this year.

allow. A negro named Warren said a day or two ago killed four squirrels at the park. Three of them were young ones, and they were trying to take a porky nut from the mouth of an old "key tail." In these days when a porker kills even a squirrel at a shot counted a good many.—*Saratoga Herald.*

Watch Chains.

There will not be so many watches worn this winter as last," said a stout street jeweler to a Philadelphia man, "and right good habits they say will come in popular favor again winter. We are slowly coming to the habits and customs of our ancestors, and right good habits they say they were. Neither you nor I will see it, but there will come a time when in Philadelphia will wear knickerbockers and better buckles, and affected wigs and the dress of our grandfathers ago.

What kind of a color is blind man's buff.—*Tid-B ts.*

Probably of all sensational developments, boils are the worst.

All great men are attentive listeners. Many of them acquire the habit after

The wife who carries on her husband's pawn shop after his decease is truly a "loan widder."—*Washington Critic*.

Customer—What do you sell these cigars for? Clerk (absently)—Havanas.

The boy who is obliged to go through the "Shorter Catechism" wonders how it

Physiologists say that the older a man grows the smaller his brain becomes. This explains why young men know

Before you call attention to the fact that a pig has no use for his tail please

"You were a prize-fighter once, I believe?" Yes, and I was remarkably suc-

and at one time intended to challenge the champion." "Why didn't you challenge him?" "Well, just about that time I got married and the conceit was

"Suppose, Tommy," said a Kansas city teacher, "that your father owned some bats and a man from Chicago

should buy sixteen of them, and a man from St. Louis should buy twenty, what would be left?" "Where are the men from?" asked Tommy, "Chicago and

left; he wouldn't get any money."—
Epoch.

Two Cent Shoes.

blocks of wood secured with cords. The stocking resembles a mitten, having a separate place for the great toe. As these shoes are lifted only by the toes, the

heels make a rattling sound as their owners walk, which is quite stunning in a crowd. They are not worn in the house, as they would injure the soft straw mats on the floor. You leave your shoes at

the door. Every house is built with reference to the number of mats required for the floor, each room having from eight to sixteen, and in taking lodgings you must ask for a mat. They think

it extravagant in us to require a whole room to ourselves. The Japanese shoe gives perfect freedom to the foot. The beauty of the human foot is only seen in

ingrowing nails, no distorted joints. Our toes are cramped until they are deformed and are in danger of extinction. They have the full use of the toes, and to

every mechanic makes use of his toes in holding his work. Every toe is fully developed. Their shoes cost two cents, and last six months. — *Merchant-Traveler*.

Killing Four Squirrels at One Shot.

Probably never before in any part of the country where game so little abounds has there been a shot fired with the same

one which Andy Dixon, of Glascock County, made a few days ago. Dixon killed four squirrels at one shot and wounded a fifth. The squirrels were out

on the limbs of a tree, and not in a nest or hollow. A negro named Warren Davis a day or two ago killed four squirrels at one shot. Three of them were young ones, and they were trying to take

a hickory nut from the mouth of an old "frisky tail." In these days when a hunter kills even one squirrel at a shot it is counted a good many.—*Savannah*

Watch Chains.
 "There will not be so many watch chains worn this winter as last," said a street jeweler to a Philadelphia

Call man. "Why? Because they are going out of fashion with carefully dressed men. Do you remember when the fobs were worn some years ago?"

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live to see it, but there will come a time when Philadelphians will wear knickerbockers and silver buckles, and affect powdered wigs and the dress of one

hundred years ago.

